

NEWSLETTER

LEISURE EDUCATION

The background of the newsletter is a vibrant image of a rainbow arching over a green field. In the foreground, there are several green four-leaf clovers. A large, black, stylized cursive word "March" is overlaid on the left side of the image.

March



FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

Enriching lives
through inclusive
education,
recreation, and
healthy living
opportunities

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MARCH ACTIVITIES

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PLEASE BRING YOUR MASK & WEAR YOUR MASK PROPERLY!

LEEP has continued to require EVERYONE to wear masks at night activities for months. VINE also continues to require everyone in its facility to mask. We kindly ask that everyone remembers to bring their own mask to activities and that it is worn properly (covering one's entire mouth AND nose) the entire time we are inside the building. LEEP has disposable masks for those who forget, but they are not meant for all participants at each activity as it can get costly. LEEP staff may ask individuals who do not bring their own mask repeatedly or who do not wear their mask properly to leave the activity for the safety of everyone.

NO FOOD OR DRINK AT ACTIVITIES!

There should be NO FOOD OR DRINK brought into the VINE building during LEEP activities by participants or their staff. Participants are asked to arrange their schedules so that they eat and drink at other times. Any food or beverages that are brought will NOT be allowed in the activity space.

ST. PAT'S 'POT OF GOLD' BINGO

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Come join your LEEP friends and try your luck in a bingo game! One lucky winner will be taking home the "pot of gold" grand prize!

****If you have a March birthday you get in FREE****
Call to sign up and reserve your spot....don't forget to let us know what day your birthday is on!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7

MEGA TRIVIA NIGHT

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

Do you LOVE trivia?? This is the night for you! We will be playing trivia from several different categories (and you can certainly request your favorites). Come join us for what will certainly be a brain-buster!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7

MOVIE NIGHT & SNACK

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Escape the winter time blues and enjoy a great show picked especially for you by the LEEP Rec Leads. It is sure to be a fun evening!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm (PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE DUE TO LENGTH OF THE MOVIE)
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7

UNO GAME NIGHT

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

Join us as we will be playing UNO all night with prizes for the winners! Come try your hand at it!

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 25
Cost: \$7

FAMILY FEUD

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

Bring your friends for a fun night of "Family Feud"! Just like the game show, your team will go head-to-head against other teams looking for the top answers to fun questions. This is sure to be a fun and humorous night of laughs.

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: VINE Room 510
Limit: 20
Cost: \$7

NIGHT ACTIVITY REMINDERS

- SIGN UP BY CALLING LEEP 507-387-5122
- PLEASE CALL BEFORE THE FIRST ACTIVITY OF EACH MONTH, AS ACTIVITIES FILL QUICKLY
- **MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE**
- VINE DOORS OPEN 15 MINUTES BEFORE THE ACTIVITY AND WILL LOCK 5 MINUTES AFTER THE START OF THE ACTIVITY. IF YOU ARE LATE OR YOU DO NOT COME YOU WILL STILL BE CHARGED.
- LOCATION: VINE - 421 E. HICKORY ST. - MANKATO, MN

LEEP REGISTRATION CHECKLIST:

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- You must be a 2022 LEEP member before registering.
- Decide what activities to register for.
- Call LEEP office at 507-387-5122 to register (if no one answers please leave only ONE voicemail). LEEP staff will respond as soon as they can.
- Drop off or mail payment for activities to LEEP at 929 N. 4th St. in downtown Mankato (zip code 56001).
- If needed, request a scholarship for up to 50% of activity cost before the event. Scholarship form is available at www.mankatoleep.org.
- Debit/Credit card payments are accepted in person at the LEEP office with a non-refundable convenience fee.

REMINDERS:

- LEEP has been flexible but is working to get account balances paid in full.
- Please pay for the entire month of activities AFTER LEEP staff confirm your registration.
- Payment plans are available, but should be requested by calling 507-387-5122.
- Cancellations are appreciated as soon as possible. For night activities participants must call the LEEP office no less than 24 hours before the event to get a credit/refund. For special events on weekends they must call Thursday before 12 PM to get a credit/ refund.
- To check on LEEP cancellations please call 507-387-5122 (press 3).

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Looking forward to that special activity, but it's slightly out of your budget? Come into our office and fill out our scholarship form before the event and get up to 50% of your costs covered for the event! This can be used for Special Events, Night Activities, Leagues and Special Olympic sports.

- Applications can be found online at www.mankatoleep.org.
- All scholarships are given at the discretion of the Executive Director. Scholarships are limited per event.

X	CODE	DATE	EVENT	FEE
NIGHT ACTIVITIES				
	NA	3/3	POT OF GOLD BINGO	\$7
	NA	3/15	MOVIE NIGHT & SNACK	\$7
	NA	3/24	FAMILY FEUD	\$7
	NA	3/29	MEGA TRIVIA NIGHT	\$7
	NA	3/31	UNO GAME NIGHT	\$7
SPECIAL OLYMPICS				
	SO	TUES	SWIMMING	\$200
	SO	???	BASKETBALL	\$150
	SO	WEDS	TRACK & FIELD	\$150
2022 LEEP MEMBERSHIP				\$55
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				

To sign up for activities you must be a 2022 member of LEEP! The forms are online or can be picked up at the LEEP office.

To make sure you're signed up, please call the LEEP office (507-387-5122) and drop off or mail payment by the date of the first event listed above. **PLEASE NOTE:** The U.S. Postal System has been extremely slow lately.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

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FOR
you

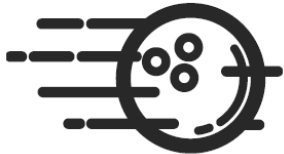


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APPRECIATES YOU
Our Special Needs Community

In appreciation of you,
we would like to extend a
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SUNDAY - THURSDAY
\$2.49 BOWLING
\$2.99 SHOES



This offer is also extended to the
Special Needs Staff when
accompanied with client.

SPOTLIGHT DANCE COMPANY

360 ST ANDREWS DR
MANKATO, MN 56001

Adaptive Dance Classes

For youth with special needs
Ages 5-18

5 Week Session:
Feb 27th - April 3rd

Cost: \$15

Sundays: 4:30 - 5 pm
No class March 20

Register online at
spotlightdancecompany.net



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**Would you like to
be a team
manager this year?**

Call the LEEP office
and we will do a
drawing among all
interested LEEP
members to choose
the managers!!

THURSDAY, JULY 14
@ ISG FIELD

Special Olympics - Spring Sports



We are so excited to be able to have Special Olympics sports again! Covid-19 rates are low enough in Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties to practice according to Special Olympics MN's policy. LEEP will continue to monitor this. Practices and competitions may be cancelled or postponed at any time. Regional competition dates for swimming and basketball have not yet been set. We are still in the process of finding a location and night/time for basketball. More information will be given to athletes.

Everything is subject to change!!

Now is a good time to make sure that your Special Olympics paperwork is updated! Athletes are not allowed to participate in Special Olympics practices or tournaments without a current completed Special Olympics medical form. The forms are available at the LEEP office or online at https://specialolympicsminnesota.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/2021_12_somn_app_athlete.pdf.

**Please call the LEEP Office at 507-387-5122
to see if your forms are current!**

SWIMMING



Dates: Tuesdays - March 29 - June 14

Location: Mankato East High School swimming pool

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 pm (athletes should be dressed and ready to go in the pool at 6 pm!)

Cost: \$200 (Practice & facility fees, use of kick board & pull buoy, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$66 due March 29; \$67 due April 26; \$67 due May 24; State payment (\$100) due in full by April 26

Regional Competition: April 2022 (date TBD) @ Gustavus Adolphus College

State Competition: Saturday/Sunday, June 18-19 @ St. Thomas University

Special Olympics - Spring Sports (continued)

FULL- & HALF-COURT BASKETBALL



Dates: To-be-determined (TBD) weekly (tentatively begin the week of March 14)

Location: TBD

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm or 6:30 - 8:30 pm (exact practice time will depend on facility and team placement)

Cost: \$150 (Practice & facility fees, use of jersey, equipment, Regional competition & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$50 due week of March 14; \$50 due week of April 18; \$50 due week of May 16; State payment (\$100) due in full week of April 18

Regional Competition: April 2022 (date TBD) @ Gustavus Adolphus College

State Competition: Saturday/Sunday, June 25-26 @ Stillwater High School

TRACK & FIELD



Dates: Wednesdays - April 6th - June 22nd
(start date depends on weather)

Location: Mankato East High School track

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Cost: \$150 (Practice & facility fees, t-shirt, Regional competition, & Regional transportation) | additional \$100 for State competition and transportation

Payments: Pay in full or payments: \$50 due April 6; \$50 due May 4; \$50 due June 1; State payment (\$100) due in full May 4

Regional Competition: Saturday, May 8, 2022 @ Rochester John Marshall High School

State Competition: Friday-Sunday, June 24-26 @ Stillwater High School





MARCH



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
				NA: POT OF GOLD BINGO 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		NA: MOVIE NIGHT & SNACK 6:00-7:30 pm VINE Rm 510				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				NA: FAMILY FEUD 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
		NA: MEGA TRIVIA NIGHT 6:00 - 7:00 pm VINE Rm 510 SO: Swimming 6:00 - 7:00 pm @ East High School Pool		NA: UNO GAME NIGHT 6:00-7:00 pm VINE Rm 510		

Special Olympics basketball practices will be weekly on a night/time that is to-be-determined at a location that is to-be-determined.

Athletes should call the LEEP office if they would like to sign up for half- or full-court basketball.

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LEEP website at www.mankatoleep.org
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BECOME A 2022 MEMBER PROGRAMMING WITH NO LIMITS

LEEP provides leisure education, recreation and healthy living opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As a LEEP member you'll have access to all of the programs offered by LEEP including night activities, special events, and Special Olympics. A yearly membership (January - December) is only \$55. Simply drop off or send a check with "2022 membership" in the memo line. Membership Forms are available online as well.

JOIN LEEP TODAY!

Complete the Membership Form
and receive member benefits!

